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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: By Chairman Edward B. Butcher, on February 1, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Edward B. Butcher, Chairman (R)

Rep. Carol Lambert, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Shannon Augare (D)

Rep. Scott Boggio (R)

Rep. Mary Caferro (D)

Rep. Julie French (D)

Rep. Ralph Heinert (R)

Rep. Teresa K. Henry (D)

Rep. Llew Jones (R)

Rep. Mike Jopek (D)

Rep. Jim Keane (D)

Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)

Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)

Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R)

Rep. Diane Rice (R)

Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)

Rep. Dan Villa (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dee Barfknecht, Committee Secretary

Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: HB 392, HB 400

HEARING ON HB 392

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:52 Rep. Bob Bergren (D), HD 33, opened the hearing on HB 392, CAFO cost reimbursement in certain instances.

EXHIBIT (agh22a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:23 Steve Pilcher, Montana Stock Grower's Association 00:11:35 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:15:16 Rep. Windy Boy

00:14:28 Kari Smith

00:15:50 Ms. Smith

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- 00:16:28 Rep. Windy Boy 00:16:36 Ms. Smith 00:16:41 Rep. Lambert 00:17:30 Rep. Bergren 00:17:59 Rep. Mendenhall 00:19:07 Rep. Bergren 00:19:52 Rep. Jopek 00:20:29 Rep. Bergren 00:20:46 Rep. Jopek 00:21:22 Ms. Smith 00:21:56 Chairman Butcher 00:22:08 Rep. Jopek
- 00:22:26 Krista Evans
- 00:22:54 Rep. Jopek
- 00:23:33 Ms. Evans
- 00:23:43 Chairman Butcher
- 00:24:37 Rep. Jopek
- 00:24:49 Ms. Evans
- 00:25:05 Rep. Keane
- 00:25:40 Ms. Smith
- 00:25:45 Rep. Boggio
- 00:25:51 Ms. Smith

Closing by Sponsor:

00:26:04 Rep. Bergren

HEARING ON HB 400

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:26:57 Rep. Dan Villa (D), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB 400, Revise planning board laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:28:37 Chris Burgmeier, Previous Member of Granite Conservation District

EXHIBIT (agh22a02)

00:30:22 Sarah Carlson, Montana Board of Conservation Districts

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:33:08 Steve Schmitz, Bureau Chief at Department of Natural Resources

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:33:53 Rep. Jopek 00:34:57 Rep. Villa 00:35:47 Rep. Jopek 00:36:37 Rep. Villa 00:37:06 Rep. Ross 00:37:37 Ms. Carlson 00:37:48 Rep. Ross 00:38:02 Ms. Carlson 00:38:09 Rep. Ross 00:38:25 Ms. Carlson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:39:25 Rep. Villa

Additional Exhibits:

Document pertaining to HB 400 **EXHIBIT (agh22a03)**

ADJOURNMENT

00:41:07 Adjournment

REP. EDWARD B. BUTCHER, Chairman

DEE BARFKNECHT, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT (agh22aad.pdf)